

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 921 without my signature.

This bill would require county probation officers and parole officers to ensure that minors under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court be provided with written notification of services and benefits they may be eligible for upon termination of court jurisdiction. This bill also would require probation officers and parole officers to provide assistance in obtaining those services and benefits. This bill would create local mandated costs attributable to the requirement that county probation officers provide specified information and assistance to juvenile wards of the court.

Given the state's severe economic climate and the social services reductions being implemented, it is not prudent to expand requirements imposed on state and local governmental programs.

Therefore, I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger